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	AE	4,500,889	02/19/85	Wada et al.	346	1.1	
	AF	4,529,991	07/16/85	Wada et al.	346	76 L	
	AG	4,587,533	05/06/86	Nakane et al.	346	135.1	
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	BC	4,772,897	09/20/88	Ohkawa	346	135.1	
	BD	5,194,363	03/16/93	Yoshioka et al.	430	271	
	BE	5,208,088	05/04/93	Tominaga et al.	428	64	
	BF	5,297,132	03/22/94	Takano et al.	369	284	
	BG	5,325,351	06/28/94	Uchiyama et al.	369	275.1	
	BH	5,328,813	07/12/94	Strandjord et al.	430	321	
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	CG	5,912,104	06/15/99	Hirotsune et al.	430	270.13	
	CH	5,948,496	09/07/99	Kinoshita et al.	428	64.1	
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	DD	6,143,469	11/07/00	Ohta et al.	430	270.13	
	DE	6,210,860	04/03/01	Fukano et al.	430	270.12	
	DF	6,231,945	05/15/01	Miyamoto et al.	428	64.1	
	DG	6,245,404	06/12/01	Saito et al.	428	64.1	
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	DI	6,266,299	07/24/01	Oshima et al.	369	13	
	DJ	6,278,680	08/21/01	Miyauchi et al.	369	112.01	
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	EG	6,841,218	01/11/05	Hosoda et al.	428	64.1	
	FH	6,929,840	08/16/05	Hosoda et al.	428	64.1	
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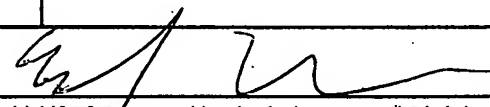
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